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SUMMARY: SYG LUNS HAS ISSUED PO/75/132, QUOTED IN PARAGRAPH 10
BELOW, CONTAINING DRAFT FOR PERREP CONSIDERATION OF DECEMBER
1975 DPC MINISTERIAL AGENDA WHICH IS ESSENTIALLY AS INDICATED IN REF
A. THOUGH THE AGENDA, FOR THE MOST PART, IS RATHER ROUTINE,
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WE BELIEVE IT PROVIDES A TIMELY BASIS FOR SECRETARY RUMSFELD TO
DEMONSTRATE THE CONTINUITY IN BASIC US POLICY TOWARD NATO BY
STRESSING (A) THE NEED AND FEASIBILITY OF IMPROVING THE CONVEN-
TIONAL BALANCE, (B) ADHERENCE TO 1975 MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE IN

SHAPING FUTURE FORCE LEVELS AND DEFENSE EXPENDITURES, (C) STANDARDIZATION AS A PRINCIPAL MEANS OF IMPROVING MILITARY EFFECTIVENESS WITHIN LIMITED RESOURCES, AND (D) THE NEED TO DEVELOP A SYSTEM OF REGIONALLY-ORIENTED SPRING REVIEWS ON COOPERATIVE AND SUPPORTING PROGRAMS. THERE FOLLOWS BELOW THE TEXT OF EACH AGENDA ITEM, TOGETHER WITH OUT COMMENT. SYG LUNS HAS CALLED FOR PERMREP CONSIDERATION ON NOVEMBER 26. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON COMMENT BY OOB NOVEMBER 25. END SUMMARY.

1. ITEM I-STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EUROGROUP

A. WE ANTICIPATE THAT UK DEFENSE MINISTER MASON WILL BRIEF MINISTERS ON SIGNIFICANT ASPECTS OF EUROGROUP WORK SINCE THE MAY 1975 MEETING, PROBABLY FOCUSING ON TWO AREAS OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO THE US: (1) WORK BY EUROTRAINING (WHICH IS ALSO THE NATO TRAINING GROUP) ON ESTABLISHING CONSOLIDATED FACILITIES FOR CONDUCTING BASIC HELICOPTER TRAINING AND JOINT JET PILOT TRAINING; AND (2) WORK BY EUROGROUP IN ESTABLISHING A EUROPEAN DEFENSE PROCUREMENT SECRETARIAT AND INITIATING A STUDY THAT COULD LEAD TO CREATION OF A FORMAL EUROPEAN ORGANIZATION TO DEAL WITH ARMAMENTS MATTERS. EUROGROUP ALSO MAY OFFER TO THE US A LIST OF CANDIDATE EQUIPMENT FOR TWO-WAY STREET TRAFFIC.

B. WE UNDERSTAND THAT SYG LUNS IN HIS SUMMARY APPRAISAL MAY COMMENT SOMEWHAT CRITICALLY ON THE CREATION OF THE EUROPEAN DEFENSE PROCUREMENT SECRETARIAT. WE MAY WISH DISCREETLY TO SUPPORT HIS VIEWS TO THE EXTENT THEY MAINTAIN THAT THE SECRETARIAT'S WORK, AS WELL AS ANY OTHER EUROGROUP WORK ON STANDARDIZATION, SHOULD CONTRIBUTE TO ALLIANCE-WIDE OBJECTIVES.

2. NATO DEFENSE PLANNING.

A. SUMMARY APPRAISAL BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL. THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF (IS) HAS NOT YET WRITTEN THE APPRAISAL; WE EXPECT THE DRAFT WILL GO TO LUNS ABOUT DECEMBER 1. BASED ON REPORTS OF THE SYG'S ORAL GUIDANCE TO THE IS, HOWEVER, WE EXPECT THE CENTRAL THEMES TO BE: 1) THE NEED TO STRENGTHEN CENTRAL SECRET

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AUTHORITY OF THE ALLIANCE, AND 2) THE NECESSITY FOR COUNTRIES TO CARRY OUT COMMITMENTS. IN THE FIRST CATEGORY, THE SYG IS LIKELY TO COMMENT UNFAVORABLY ON SOME NATIONAL REACTIONS (E.G., TURKEY, ITALY, NORWAY) TO REVISION OF SACEUR'S TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR), AND ON THE EUROGROUP'S SCHEME FOR AN INDEPENDENT SECRETARIAT ON PROCUREMENT MATTERS. COMMENT: IN KEEPING WITH GUIDANCE REF B, WE WILL ATTEMPT TO SEE TO IT THAT LUNS' DISDAIN FOR SOME NATIONAL REACTIONS TO REVISION OF SACEUR TOR IS COUCHED IN VAGUE AND GENERAL TERMS. END COMMENT. IN THE SECOND CATEGORY, WE EXPECT THAT THE SYG WILL: CRITICIZE THE INCREASING TENDENCY OF SOME NATIONS (E.G., CANADA, ITALY, NETHERLANDS) TO REDUCE FORCES UNILATERALLY IN SPITE OF COMMITMENTS MADE DURING FORCE PLANNING PROCESS; URGE MINISTERS TO SEE TO IT THAT THEIR GOVERNMENTS CARRY OUT THE COMMIT-

MENTSOF THE MINISTERIAL GUIDANCY 1975 REGARDING RESOURCES FOR DEFENSE
AND URGE FULLER AND MORE TIMELY PARTICIPATION BY NATIONS IN THE
NATO DEFENSE PLANNING PROCESS. REGARDING THE LAST ITEM, WE CAN
EXPECT, BASED ON PRESENT IS (ASYG HUMPHREYS) ATTITUDES, THAT THE
US AND TURKEY WILL BE ROUNDLY DRUBBED FOR FAILURE TO SUBMIT
TIMELY (OR ANY) RESPONSE TO DPQ'75). FINALLY, WE HAVE ATTEMPTED,
THROUGH CONTACTS WITH DSYG PANSA, TO SEE TO IT THAT A SHORT
STATUS REPORT ON CIVIL-MILITARY AVIATION PLANNING IS INCLUDED
IN SYG SUMMARY APPRAISAL, INCLUDING SYG STATEMENT THAT MINISTERS
CAN EXPECT FULLER REPORT OF PROGRESS IN SPRING, 1976(REF C).
WE WILL TRACK THIS EFFORT CLOSELY WITH IS AS WORK ON THE DRAFT
SUMMARY APPRAISAL PROGRESSES.

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B. STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE. AS
REPORTED REF A, THE STATEMENT WILL EXPAND ON THE STATEMENT DE-
LIVERED BY ADM HILL-NORTON AT THE MAY 1975 MEETING (REF D) TO COVER
TRENDS (AS OPPOSED TO STATIC COMPARISON) IN THE NATO-WP BALANCE.

C. COUNTRIES' FORCE COMMITMENTS FOR 1976 AND FORCE PLANS
FOR THE PERIOD 1976-1980. THE IS IS PRESENTLY WORKING ON THE
DRAFT GENERAL REPORT TO COVER COUNTRY CHAPTERS AND STATISTICAL
ANNEXES FOR THE FORCE PLANNING PERIOD. THE PRESENT STATUS OF THE
DEFNESE REVIEW FOLLOWS:

REVIEWS COMPLETED: BELGIUM (USNATO 6202), CANADA(USNATO
5874), DENMARK (USNATO 5284), FRG (7USNATO 6301), LUXEMBOURG
(USNATO 5901), NETHERLANDS (UNSAO 6243), NORWAY(USNATO 5881),
AND UK (USNATO 5611).

REVIEWS SCHEDULED: ITALY AND ICELAND (NOVEMBER 25),
PORTUGAL (PROBABLY WEEK OF NOVERMBER 24).

DPQ REPLIES NOT RECEIVED: TURKEY AND UNITED STATES. IS
WORKED ON DRAFT GENERAL REPORT AND NMA/MC WORK ON THE SUITABILITY/
RISK STATEMENT ARE OF COURSE HAMPERED BY LACK OF US DATA. WE
HAZARD A GUESS, HOWEVER, THAT IS WILL FOCUS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF
STABLE FORCE LEVELS, INCLUDING MAINTENANCE OF COMMITMENTS OF
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FORCES TO THE ALLIANCE, AND ON THE NEED FOR SUBSTANTIVE PROGRESS
IN ALLIANCE COOPERATION TO IMPROVE COST EFFECTIVENESS IN THE
USE OF RESOURCES.

D. SACEUR'S STUDY ON FLEXIBILITY OF NATO FORCES IN THE
CENTRAL REGION.

A. REF E PROVIDES THE TEXT OF MCM-76-75, WHICH FORWARDS
SACEUR'S STUDY TO SYG LUNS FOR NOTING MY MINISTERS AT THEIR
DECEMBER 1975 MEETING PRIOR TO FURTHER ACTION IN SPRING 1976,
WHEN A DETAILED MC ASSESSMENT WILL BE AVAILABLE. THE MC
RECOMMENDS THAT MINISTERS NOTE SACEUR'S REPORT AND URGE THAT
NATIONS MAKE AN EARLY START ON IMPLEMENTING THOSE NON-
CONTROVERSIAL LOW-COST/NO-COST RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THE MC
WILL CONFIRM IN ITS DETAILED ASSESSMENT. THE MC APPARENTLY
STILL ANTICIPATES THAT DPC PERMREPS WILL DISCUSS SACEUR'S STUDY
PRIOR TO THE DECEMBER MINISTERIAL, AND HAS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED
THE STUDY FOR FURTHER MC DISCUSSION ON NOVEMBER 28, WITH A VIEW
TO ACCELERATING ACTIONS LEADING TO IMPLEMENTATION OF SACEUR'S
RECOMMENDATIONS.

B. SYG LUNS' DRAFT AGENDA DOES NOT SHOW A DOCUMENT FOR
THIS ITEM, BUT INDICATES THE CHAIRMAN WILL RAISE IT ORALLY. FROM
THIS, WE INFER THAT LUNS DOES NOT INTEND TO PRODUCE A DPC
PERMREPS' DOCUMENT FORWARDING THE FLEXIBILITY REPORT TO MINISTERS.
WE NOTE THAT IF, AS ITS MEETING ON NOVEMBER 28, THE MC PREPARES
SOMETHING FURTHER FOR PERMREPS, THE DPC WOULD HAVE ONLY ONE
WEEK BEFORE THE MINISTERIAL MEETING IN WHICH TO DISCUSS THIS
ITEM. AT THEIR MEETING ON NOVEMBER 26, PERREPS WILL PROBABLY
NOT DISCUSS THE SUBSTANCE OF AGENDA ITEMS, BUT ONLY WHAT ITEMS
SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE AGENDA AND THEIR PLACE ON THE AGENDA.

C. IF PERMREPS UNDERTAKE SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OF THE
FLEXIBILITY STUDY, EITHER AT THE NOVEMBER 25 OR SUBSEQUENT
MEETING, WE WILL COMMENT AS WE INDICATED IN REF B. WE CAN
ANTICIPATE SOME DIFFICULTY IN GAINING SUPPORT FOR OUR PROPOSAL
THAT MINISTERS SHOULD INVITE COUNTRIES TO TAKE SHORT-TERM ACTIONS
UNDER IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION, IN VIEW OF EXPECTED RESERVATIONS
BY SOME ALLIES, E.G., FRG (REF G), AND THE FACT THAT THE MC HAS
NOT YET COMPLETED ITS DETAILED ASSESSMENT OF SACEUR'S RECOMMENDATIONS.
WHETHER WE ARE ABLE TO MAKE THE POINTS IN REF C BEFORE THE MINIST-
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ERIALMEETING OR NOT, WE RECOMMEND SECRETARY RUMSFELD MAKE A STRONG STATEMENT COMMENDING THE STUDY AND URGING PROMPT ACTION ON ITS RECOMMENDATIONS. THE STUDY CONTAINS THE BEST STATEMENT AVAILABLE OF PRACTICAL, SHORTTERJ, REASONABLY NON-CONTROVERSIA), REMEDIAL ACTIONS TO IMPROVE FLEXIBLE EMPLOYMENT IN THE CENTRAL REGION OF SACEUR'S RESOURCES, AND THE US SHOULD GIVE IT FULL BACKING FOR URGENT IMPLEMENTATION, POSSIBLE PROCEDURAL BOTTLENECKS NOTWITHSTANDING.

3. ITEM III-RATIONALIZATION/SPECIALIZATION OF DEFENSE TASKS.

REF H FORWARDED THE REPORT THAT THE EWG WILL DISCUSS NOVEMBER 26(WE WILL PROVIDE SPECIFIC COMMENTS SEPTTEL). AT OUR INITIATIVE, THE REPORT INCLUDES THE STATEMENT THAT, FOR THE MOST PART, RATIONALIZATION RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NOT DEFINED IN SUFFICIENT DETAIL FOR NATO TO SET MONITORING AND IMPLEMENTATION MACHINERY INTO MOTIION, AND FURTHER NOTES THAT THE EWG IS INVESTIGATING THE POSSIBILITY OF INSTITUTING A REVIEW PROCEDURE WITHIN OR POSSIBLY PARALLEL TO THE DEFENSE REVIEW TO DO THIS. THIS CORRESPONDS, OF COURSE, TO THE US PROPOSAL FOR REGIONALLLY-ORIENTED SPRING REVIEWS (REF I). WE SEE AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR THE US TO CONVERT THIS ROUTINE BUT COMPLEX AGENDA ITEM INTO ONE OF LASTING IMPACT BY URGING MINISTERS TO NOTE AND SUPPORT THE ON GOING EWG WORK ON DEVELOPING ARRANGEMENTS FOR A SYSTEM OF REGIONALLY-ORIENTED SPRING REVIEWS OF COOPERATIVE AND SUPPORTING PROGRAMS. WE WILL FORWARD SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOWING NOV 26 EWG REVIEW OF THE REPORT.

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4. ITEM IV-NATO AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING AND CONTROL SYSTEM.

MCM-77-75, DATED NOVEMBER 14 (POUCHED) CONTAINS A STRONG

STATEMENT OF THE MILITARY RATIONALE FOR AWACS. THE CNAD HAS RECOMMENDED, INTER ALIA, THAT MINISTERS ENDORSE CERTAIN LONG LEAD-TIME EXPENDITURES (REQUIRED TO PRESERVE THE OPTION FOR A NATO DECISION IN SPRING '76), WHICH MAY BE PRE-FINANCED BY INTERESTED NATIONS. OUR UNDERSTANDING TO DATE HAS BEEN THAT, TO PREVENT A PRODUCTION LINE BREAK, ALLIES MUST PRODUCE LONG LEAD-TIME FUNDS IN DECEMBER. WE QUESTION WHETHER, IN LIGHT OF RECENT CONGRESSIONAL ACTION OF THE PROGRAM, THIS UNDERSTANDING REMAINS VALID. IN ANY EVENT, MINISTERIAL AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE THAT NATO SHOULD ACQUIRE AN AEW&C CAPABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO CONSIDER A FINAL DECISION IN SPRING 1976 APPEAR NECESSARY.

5. ITEM V. STANDARDIZATION AND ARMAMENTS RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, AND PROCUREMENT.

A. AS REPORTED REF J, ALL ALLIES HAVE ACCEPTED STANDARDIZATION AS ITEM I ON THE NAC MINISTERIAL AGENDA, AND WE ARE ISOLATED IN OUR PROPOSAL FOR DEFENSE MINISTERS AT FIFTEEN TO DISCUSS STANDARDIZATION AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE DPC MINISTERIAL MEETING DECEMBER 10 (REF K). WE SEE NO
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PROSPECT FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE US FORMAT AND HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT THE US AGREE TO NAC MINISTERIAL DISCUSSION OF STANDARDIZATION.

B. THE DRAFT DPC MINISTERIAL AGENDA CARRIES THE STANDARDIZATION ITEM IN BRACKETS. WE BELIEVE THAT DEFENSE MINISTERS IF THEY DESIRE, SHOULD AT LEAST HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO NOTE THE PROGRESS IN AND PLANS FOR IMPROVING NATO STANDARDIZATION. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE UK DELEGATION INFORMED US ON NOVEMBER 21 THAT LONDON HAS PROVIDED INSTRUCTIONS TO KEEP STANDARDIZATION ON THE DPC AGENDA EVEN IF IT APPEARS ON THE NAC AGENDA.

6. ITEM VI-MUTUAL AND BALANCED FORCE REDUCTIONS

IN PRACTICE, PRINCIPAL MINISTERIAL DISCUSSION OF MBFR HAS HABITUALLY TAKEN PLACE AT NAC MEETINGS, RATHER THAN AT DPC MEETINGS, AND WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE THAT THE DECEMBER 1975 MEETINGS WILL PROVE AN EXCEPTION TO THIS PRACTICE. THE VERBATIM RECORDS OF THE LAST FEW DPC MEETINGS INDICATE THERE WAS NO MINISTERIAL DISCUSSION OF THE MBFR AGENDA ITEM. DURING DISCUSSION FOLLOWING THE NOVEMBER 14 AD HOC GROUP BRIEFING OF THE COUNCIL (REF L), KRAPF (FRG) SAID THERE MAY BE A NEED FOR DEFENSE MINISTERS TO BE PRESENT AT THE DECEMBER NAC MEETING TO ENABLE RAPID DECISIONS ON A FEW REMAINING OPTION III ISSUES. KRAPF'S STATEMENT PROVOKED NO PERMREP DISCUSSION AT THE NOVEMBER 14 MEETING, AND WE EXPECT NO FOLLOW-ON CONSIDERATION OF IT. HOWEVER, THE STATEMENT COULD POSSIBLY PORTEND, AT THE DECEMBER 1975 MEETING, A GREATER DEGREE OF DISCUSSION OF MBFR BY DEFENSE MINISTERS THAN CUSTOMARY.

7. ITEM VII-ANY OTHER BUSINESS

WE HAVE NO INDICATION OF SUBJECTS TO BE RAISED UNDER THIS
AGENDA ITEM.

8. ITEM VIII-COMMUNIQUE. THE IS HAS NOT YET STARTED WORK ON
THE COMMUNIQUE, AND WELCOMES SUGGESTIONS FOR THE FIRST WORKING
DRAFT, WHICH WILL BE PLACED BEFORE THE DRC. IN ADDITION TO THE
CUSTOMARY ITEMS AND THOSE CONTAINED IN REF M, WE WOULD FAVOR A
TWO OR THREE-SENTENCE REFERENCE TO SACEUR'S FLEXIBILITY STUDY.

9. RESTRICTED SESSION. WE BELIEVE THE RESTRICTED SESSION COULD
PROVIDE AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR THE SECRETARY TO ESTABLISH
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A FIRM BASIS FOR FUTURE COLLABORATION WITH THIS MINISTERIAL COL-
LEAGUES, ESPECIALLY BY COMING DOWN HARD ON THE NEED FOR AND FEASI-
BILITY OF IMPROVING THE CONVENTIONAL BALANCE, AND THE IMPORTANCE
OF ADHERING TO 1975 MINISTERIAL GUIDANCE (INITIATED WHILE HE WAS
AMBASSADOR HERE) IN SHAPING FUTURE FORCE LEVELS AND DEFENSE EX-
PENDITURES. IN THIS CONTEXT, HE MAY WISH TO ENDORSE THE PRINCIPLE
OF ALLIANCE COOPERATION (INCLUDING STANDARDIZATION) AS A
PRINCIPAL VEHICLE FOR MAINTAINING DETERRENCE DESPITE LIMITED RE-
COURCES. HE MAY ALSO WISH TO DISCUSS STATIONING OF THE NORTHAG
BRIGADE, STRESSING THAT THIS MUST NOT BE USED AS A JUSTIFICATION
FOR CUTBACKS IN NORTHAG BY OTHER ALLIES. FINALLY, HE MIGHT
SHARE HIS VIEWS ON THE PROBABLE SIZE AND SHAPE OF FY 77 US DE-
FENSE BUDGET. WE HAVE HAD NO INDICATION AS YET OF SUBJECTS THAT
OTHER MINISTERS MAY RAISE IN RESTRICTED SESSION, EXCEPT FOR
FRG MOD LEBER'S WISH TO DISCUSS PORTUGAL (REF A), REGARDING WHICH
AMEMBASSY BONN HAS BEEN ASKED TO INQUIRE FURTHER (REF N). AS TO
TIMING, WE HELD FIRM AT LAST DRC (REF A) TO US DESIRE TO PLACE
RESTRICTED SESSION FOLLOWING CMC STATEMENT, BUT GAINED NO SUPPORT.
ASYG HUMPHREYS, FRG AND OTHERS FAVOR RESTRICTED SESSION AS FIRST
ITEM ON SECOND DAY OF MEETING. AN INDICATION BY DECEMBER 1 OF
SUBJECTS THAT SECRETARY RUMSFELD MAY WISH TO RAISE WOULD BE MOST
HELPFUL.

10. TEXT OF SYG LUNS' PO/75)132 FOLLOWS:

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DRAFT AGENDA FOR DEFENCE MINISTERS MEETING

I ATTACH A DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF DEFENCE
MINISTERS ON 9TH AND 10TH DECEMBER 1975.

2. ITEM V(STANDARDISATION) APPEARS IN SQUARE BRACKETS
BECAUSE THIS TOPIC IS ALSO ON THE AGENDA OF THE FOREIGN
MINISTERS: IT MAY ALSO BE APPROPRIATE, HOWEVER, TO INCLUDE IT
ON THE DPC AGENDA. AS FOR ITEM IV (NEWACS) SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS
CAN BE MADE, AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, TO ASSOCIATE THE FRENCH
WITH DISCUSSIONS ON THIS ITEM.

3. I BELIEVE THAT THERE IS GENERAL SUPPORT FOR CONTINUING
THE PRACTICE OF A RESTRICTED SESSION. WE NEED, HOWEVER, TO
DECIDE AT WHAT POINT IN THE AGENDA THIS SHOULD TAKE PLACE. WE
ALSO NEED TO DISCUSS THE TOPICS WHICH SHOULD BE COVERED. I
ASSUME THAT, AS IN THE PAST, THE RESTRICTED DISCUSSION WOULD
FOCUS ON BROAD TOPICS OR ON PARTICULARLY DELICATE MATTERS.
PLENARY DISCUSSIONS WOULD CONCENTRATE ON THE DETAILED AGENDA
ITEMS. IT WOULD BE EQUALLY DESIRABLE TO MAINTAIN THE SYSTEM
WHEREBY FORMAL STATEMENTS RELATING TO ROUTINE ITEMS ARE
DISTRIBUTED IN ADVANCE OR DURING THE MEETING, RATHER THAN READ
OUT BY THE MINISTERS.

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4. I SHALL BRING THIS MATTER BEFORE THE DPC ON
25TH NOVEMBER, 1975 AT 4 P.M.

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MEETING OF THE DEFENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE IN MINISTERIAL
SESSION TO BE HELD AT NATO HEADQUARTERS 1110 BRUSSELS,
ON TUESDAY 9TH DECEMBER 1975 AT 10 A.M. AND
ON WEDNESDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1975

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IN CONFERENCE ROOM 16

8. STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN F THE EUROGROUP

II. NATO DEFENCE PLANNING

A. SUMMARY APPRAISAL BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL

DOCUMENT: DPC/D(75)..

B. STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MILITARY COMMITTEE

C. COUNTRIES' FORCE COMMITMENTS FOR 1976 AND FORCE PLANS
FOR THE PERIOD 1976-1980

REFERENCE: DPC/D(71)10

DOCUMENTS: DPC/K(75)18 GENERAL REPORT,
COUNTRY CHAPTERS AND SATISTICAL ANNEXES

D. SACEUR'S TUDY ON FLEXIBILITY OF NATO FORCES IN THE
CENTRAL REGION

REFERENCES: 1240.3/20-5-1/S9/75, MC-76-75
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III. RATIONALISATION/SPECIALISATION OF DEFENCE TASKS

REFERENCES: DPC/D(75)10

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IV. NATO AIRBORNE EARLY WARNING AND CONTROL SYSTEM

REFERENCES:

MCM-30-75

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DPC/D(75)14, PARAGRAPH 9(C)

DOCUMENT: DPC/D(75)...

(V. STANDARDISATION AND ARMAMENTS RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT,
PRODUCTION AND REOCUREMENT

DOCUMENT: C-M OR DPC/D...)

VI. MUTUAL AND BALANCED REDUCTIONS

REFERENCE: DPC/K75)14, PARAGRAPH 11

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VII. ANH OTHER BUSINESS

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